P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, mental illness is no longer hopeless, as evidenced by the increased rates of improvement and recovery in mental hospitals, and

WHEREAS, recovery from mental illness is dependent on early and proper treatment, and

WHEREAS, many mental hospital patients are being denied the chance for recovery because mental hospitals lack adequate staff, equipment and medical supplies to provide all their patients with early and proper treatment, and

WHEREAS, mental disorders can be checked in their early stages, and

WHEREAS, the failure to provide early care, through mental health clinics, guidance services and mental health programs in schools and industry, results in severe illness and hospitalization for many, and

WHEREAS, these conditions can be remedied by concerted action of the citizens of South Dakota,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NILS A. BOE, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 1 to May 7 as

MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

and the month of May as Mental Health Month, and furthermore call upon the citizens of South Dakota to help the mentally ill by working together with the South Dakota Mental Health Association for improved care and treatment of mental hospital patients and for the creation of community mental health services for the prevention and early treatment of mental disorders.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed on this 26 day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-six.

Nils A. Boe

NILS A. BOE, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Alma Larson

ALMA LARSON, SECRETARY OF STATE

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